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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

REMEMBER OCT. 6TH IS SPECIAL PRAYER DAY FOR ASSEMBLY

WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM

As Jesus Was Often Misunderstood so Are His People Today

Dolphus Tidwell

The call to the Christian life is a call to become like Jesus who was so different to other people that He was often misunderstood and thought to be peculiar by many. As we view Him from the different angles of the Gospels, moving and working among the people, the most striking thing about His life is that He was different. He did not fit into the social, political, or even into the religious ranks of His day.

Think how unlike He was to the Pharisees who put compliance with the rabbinical law above everything else, even human welfare. "For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers." Jesus, on the other hand, while He always observed honored customs, where no principle right was concerned, deliberately broke away from tradition every time it interfered with the highest good of man.

See how He differed from the social leaders. The Jews had no dealings with the Samaritans; but Jesus sat at the well and freely conversed with an outcast Samaritan woman that He might lead her into the knowledge of the truth. They would not eat with the publicans (Roman tax-gatherers) and others classed as "sinners" merely because they did not conform to Jewish rites, but Jesus freely accepted their hospitality. The common people heard Him gladly. Unlike other religious teachers He mixed and mingled with the people.

Think how He differed from the political leaders who were constantly endeavoring to stir up the masses against Rome. Jesus said, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's." Their ambition was to establish a temporal kingdom. To do so depended upon force, but Jesus commanded, "Put up thy sword," and taught, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

He even differed from His disciples who constantly sought position and power. Jesus said, "He that is greatest among you shall be your servant." Notice their attitude toward their enemies. "And when His disciples, James and John, saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? But He turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them."

So we can see some of what it means to be like Jesus. How unlike Him are the most of the multiplied millions of the earth's inhabitants of the twentieth century. How unlike Him is the average church-goer and professed Christian of today.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that the above mentioned disciples were not sanctified and had not received the Holy Ghost baptism. After they followed Him to Bethany and then went to the upper room they were completely transformed. Peter was changed from a coward and traitor to a true, humble follower of Jesus, and finally died a martyr hero of the cross. John no longer retained the same attitude toward his enemies but became meek and humble and submitted to all the persecution that was put upon him.

God sanctified (set apart) His Son, and sent Him unto the world to die and spill His blood that we might be sanctified (cleansed and set apart). Jesus subjected Himself to the will of His Father and for our sakes sanctified (set apart) Himself that we might be sanctified (purified, made holy). Thus we become like Him.

Consecration means dedication, devotion, or setting apart. The reason many have backslidden is because they failed to progress, to move on, to obey the Truth. They failed to measure up, they rejected part of God's Word. That is what Jesus meant by "being sanctified thru the truth." Many (Please Look On Page Two)

The Church Stands For The Truth

PULASKI, Va.—I started a tent meeting in the east end of Princeton, W. Va. Sept. 25th. This is a hard place for an old time revival. This is where I have spent many happy days and where near three hundred received the old time religion in one meeting. I was saved here while running a locomotive on the Virginian Railroad. I lost my job in a strike six years ago and now I do nothing but tell sinners how God loves them. This is a backslidden town. If you love the Lord and hate the devil come over and help me for he has my sister, father and some of my children. Come let us give him a black eye. I feel that if you will come you will be cared for.

I have just closed a sixteen days meeting at Kamore, W. Va. This was also a backslidden place. I believe I made many friends. The Baptist and Methodist learned I meant business and holiness backsliders did howl and tell lies and try to keep us from having a meeting but we looked to Jesus who knows all things. Man is a fake when God leaves him, just like Saul was when he went to the witch of Endor. My God, mercy is at the hand of God and the church stands for the truth. Let us tell it. We want the best and the best is going to stand for the truth. Glory! Surely we will be buffeted for Jesus' sake. Let the devil howl. He generally howls thru the backslider. Let us stay in the clear. We can't do any good until we get the devil mad.—Your humble servant, Alex Shaffer.

Wonderful Service At Fleetwood, Ala.

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.—On Sunday, Aug. 31, 1929 we had an all day service at Fleetwood. We observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. The Lord surely blessed. There were many saints there from other parts of the state. We believe that this was one service in which all of God's children present let Him have His way. It was wonderful. The saints shouted and danced under the great power of God.

This is a newly organized church in a community where the Church of God has been persecuted hard and people are continuing to persecute but God is more than a match for the devil and is wonderfully blessing. People are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We believe this is one little church that is of one mind and one accord. We ask that all who read this pray that we may stay humble at the foot of the cross and in the center of God's will.—Your brother in Christ, Ralph G. Griffin.

The Lord Was There

We have had a wonderful revival. Nine prayed thru to victory. Six were baptized in water and six came into the church. It seems that others are looking this way. We observed feet washing. — James Sutherland, Henderson, Tenn.

God Is Blessing

The writer came into the Church of God from the P. H. Church on April 27th and in the evangelistic meetings held by him and L. C. Hunnings up until Sept. 1st sixty have been saved, forty sanctified, twenty-four filled with the Holy Ghost, seventeen baptized in water and twenty-four added to the Church of God. The sick are being healed. Two serious cases of appendicitis were healed instantly at the same time, also neuralgia, rheumatism and acute indigestion healed instantly. We are planning to get us a new tent. If anybody wants us to hold meetings this Winter in the churches, write me. —K. H. Turner, 36 E. Front St., New Bern, N. C.

The Christian's Invitation

"We are journeying to a place of which the Lord said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel"

Numbers 10:29

S. W. Latimer, General Overseer

This is the invitation Moses gave to his father-in-law. While the text applies to God's people in the journey from Egypt, we think it will also apply to God's people even now. The religion of the Bible is a perfect description of the divine mind, being holy, just, and good.

It is holy in its nature, just in its prosperity, and good in its influence. There will be a spiritual purity and righteousness. To do good is the truest pleasure and the highest dignity of which the human mind is capable. The Spirit of goodness is exceedingly extensive. There are multitudes of objects on whom it may be used. The poor, the fatherless, the widow, orphans, and the sick are all fair objects of Christ's compassion. While these ought not to be forgotten, there are others whose poverty and great need is of a mental and moral description whose claims are of the first importance. To feed the hungry, to instruct the spiritual, to win souls for the truest goodness.

One way in which we want to attempt to effect this great object is by kindly inviting those around us to accompany us on this heavenly journey. God's people are traveling to the celestial Canaan.

Two things deserve note: The journey and the place to which we are journeying. The journey commences in the day we are converted. It is then that the courses of sin and misery are abandoned. The back is turned on transgressions and the mind and heart are changed. All things become new. The old state is completely reversed. The journey is continued by the pleading of the blood. The eradication of the carnal mind and the destruction of the old man for our old man is crucified with Him. The Bible teaches this experience as sanctification. I am persuaded to believe that all who are sanctified and will tarry for the baptism, the filling or the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, will receive Him.

In my short experience thru life, even before I was instructed in the way, quiet a few people in the meet-

ings would receive an extra blessing. As I remember how the Spirit would operate on them, I am sure they were filled with the Holy Ghost.

The journey is continued by the souls advancing and knowledge in the love of God, by following the footsteps of the great Example, and by growing daily in the knowledge of Christ. This journey can only be continued by self-denial.

The journey terminates at death. That is the end of the Christian race here on earth, to the individual the closing life on earth. But unto the faithful the Revelator said, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. 2:10.

It is at death that those who are faithful rest in the Lord from their labors. This truly will be a great time for God's faithful people who will reach the celestial kingdom to which we are journeying. Canaan of old was a rest to the Israelites. In the wilderness they had trials and droughts and enemies, but in Canaan they possessed the promised rest. This is typical of the rest of the soul after life's battles are fought.

In this life we have rest, for we who believe do enter into rest; that is, rest from the drudgery of sin, from the slavery of the devil and from distress and apprehension of wrath. But the present rest is not perfect. It is often interrupted and disturbed, burden for the lost, prayer for the sick, burden and anxiety for God's people and His church. But there remaineth a rest which is free and complete and eternal for the people of God. To this final rest they are journeying, looking forward to the time when they will be free from trials and care, pains and suffering.

The land of riches and prosperity, for the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks, of water, and of fountains and of depths that spring out of the valleys and hills; the land of wheat and barley, a land flowing with milk and honey. This is the land that was promised to God's people, the Jews. This is but a (Please Look On Page Two)

Judge And Jailor Interested

On August 7th Sister Mable Hatcher and I started a meeting in the courthouse yard at Ervin, Ky. God surely did bless our labor. The town was so aroused that business men closed their doors and came to meeting. The judge and jailor got so interested they opened the courtroom doors. After two weeks in the yard many had got saved and sanctified. We went in the courtroom. The multitude was so large until the courthouse could not hold them. Some stood outside looking in. Many fell under the great power of God.

The jailor let us in the jailhouse on Sunday to preach to the prisoners. We had a good service in the jail. Some fell at the altar weeping and praying. I don't wonder any more why Paul and Silas praised God in jail. The power of God surely did fall in the Ervin jail.

Many have been healed, twenty saved, six sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. We preached repentance, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, signs following the believer and the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

Many other things happened I would like to tell you but I can't now. One woman was so greatly blessed she broke forty-seven victrola records that were not sacred and fired the cook stove to cook for the preachers. —From happy Tom Brooks, Hamilton, Ohio.

God Working Thru Prayer Meetings

WINNSBORO, S.C.—I want to sound a note in the Evangel today as I have just been reading about the good meetings that have been in other places. I am so glad for Jesus' presence everywhere. I thank Him for the way He has kept me. He saved my soul, sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire and put me on the run for glory.

We have a new church set in order at this place and are doing a great work thru our prayer meetings. Three have been sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost just a few weeks apart. We haven't had a revival yet but are praying for one. I desire the prayers of all the saints that we may get more souls for Jesus. Brother W.E. Raney is our State Overseer but he hardly ever gets to preach for us. We are getting hungry to hear a good sermon. Pray that God will have His way here. I long to see souls saved.—Your brother in Christ, L. S. Craft.

MANY FRIENDS GAINED

Just closed a revival at Urbana, Ill. with great success. Several were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The devil was stirred yet there were many friends gained for the Church of God. Brother Newton has a fine bunch of people. They surely love their pastor and take good care of the evangelist and workers. Any preacher desiring to go there will surely be cared for and will find a band of people on fire for God.—C. H. Standifer, Shelburn, Ind.

Some Good Done

I have just closed a ten days meeting at the Pine Grove church at Double Springs with some good done. The church was drawn closer together and lots of folks made to see the way, the Church of God. I will say, we have a good, loyal band of saints there. They stand for the Church of God and its teachings. I think it is good to hold our own and gain a few every year. We have a good church house and have it almost complete. Pray for the pastor and the church.—P. W. Hackney, pastor.

PRAYER DAY OCTOBER 6TH

"Men ought always to pray, and not to faint" St. Luke 18:13

M. W. Letsinger

Our General Overseer has set apart October 6th as a special prayer day. Not that we aren't expected to pray on all other days, but we are expected to pray especially at that time for the Council of Twelve who will meet on the 7th and continue until the Assembly with the seventy other councilors to join them on the 19th and for the Assembly that it may be the greatest that we have had.

First, because of the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Second, because of the love, unity, and fellowship.

Third, because of it being the greatest throng of Christians that ever assembled in Cleveland, Tenn.

We do not feel that we are to pray and beg the Lord to get Him to do this because He is not willing, but because He has taught us to ask Him for the things that we feel we are in need of. I am sure everyone will agree that we must have God's presence and approval if this Assembly is the success that we so much desire it to be.

I can imagine thousands of God's children on October 6, lifting their voices to Him in prayer for the same thing. There will be hundreds of Churches assembled together for prayer. Then there will be those who do not have the privilege of attending services on Sunday who will pray in their homes. Possibly there are some who are sick and not able to go abroad, yet they will lift their hearts and voices to God in prayer to direct the Elders in council and to take complete control of the Assembly.

Do you think God will stop His ears to the cries of His children on that day? I do not. I believe that He will look down upon us and smile, giving us the sweet assurance that His presence will be with us to direct in all the affairs of the church.

As we reflect upon the past, we can see the Lord has been with us. We can say with the man of God, "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us: Then they had swallowed us up quickly. But the Lord has surely been with us up to this time, and we want Him to continue to lead us on.

It is a great privilege to pray. It surely gives us strength to pray. How many of us can reflect upon the past when we were in distress not knowing a step to take and we cried to the Lord in our distress and He delivered us and led us forth by the right way? The reason so many of us are so sure we are in the right way today is because when we did not know a step to take we prayed and thrust our hand in His by faith and He so tenderly led us to where we are today. We have great confidence that He will lead us on as in the past if we will call upon Him and give Him a chance, which we are determined to do.

We read in the Scriptures in the early days of the Church that prayer would be made by the church continually and God would deliver them. When Peter was in prison, prayer was made for him by the church and the Lord sent an angel to deliver him.

When Saul of Tarsus was persecuting the saints, prayer was made by them. God struck him down and Saul began to pray. When the Lord appeared to Ananias and requested him to go and pray for Saul, He encouraged him by saying, "Behold, he prayeth." This same man who was later called Paul had learned something of the worth of prayer when he said to young Timothy, "I will that men pray everywhere."

We sometimes sing the song "He Prayed." "From the manger to the cross not a moment's time was lost." If it was necessary for Jesus to pray so much, it surely is for you and me.

In the parable of the unjust judge and the widow, Jesus taught us "that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." In this lesson we see the widow making her petition to the unjust judge and she continues until she gets the desire of her heart. Then Jesus closed the lesson by saying, "Shall not God avenge His own elect which (Please Look On Page Two)

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EDITORIALS

Brother Cross of Detroit, Mich. reports a wonderful revival. Sisters Morrow and Pickett are there. Several have been converted. In the number were two Catholic women and a Catholic man who received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Remember Oct. 6 is set apart for Prayer Day for the General Assembly. Pray until God takes full control. Come to the Assembly with that white-heated love in your heart for God, His church, and lost humanity and you are sure to enjoy the Assembly. This surely has been a glorious year. God has visited us in a wonderful way, and we feel sure that the 24th Annual Assembly of the Church of God will be the greatest of all the past.

Many good reports are still coming from the workers on the field of the good revivals that are in progress. We are sure that many of these revivals will continue until time to start to the Assembly. How anxious we are to see the folks gathering in from their field of labor to the great Assembly of the Churches of God. It is only a few days now and I am sure there are many that can hardly wait until time to start.

There will be no Church of God Evangel the week of the Assembly which will be Oct. 26th. This has been the custom in the past. It would be most impossible to get out the paper that week.

WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM

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failed to consecrate, hence lost their sanctification, and carnally crept in. Sanctification on God's part is instantaneous, wrought in the heart by the Holy Ghost thru the blood. On our part it is consecration (progressive). Then it is easy for the Spirit to lead us to Jesus' baptism, divine healing, tithing and giving, dressing in modest apparel, and everything else the Word teaches. Oh, we can see the lack of consecration most everywhere we look. For this reason the love of many is waxing cold, many are losing their power, and falling away.

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God; therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not." We are in the world, yet strangers and pilgrims, misunderstood by the world. Politicians think we are strange, social leaders pronounce us queer, the aristocrats say we are eccentric, modern religionists say we are fanatical, and the world calls us peculiar, if we are like the lowly Christ. But thank God, that is according to His Word.

Oh, the heaven-born, blood-washed, Spirit-filled saints of God are so unlike this old world. They are peculiar, but zealous of good works. No more selfishness and putting forth of their own selfish desires for the promotion of their own interests. The self-will can dominate no longer, can establish its own prejudices and opinions no longer, no more seeking for fame, honor, or positions, but in honor prefer one another. Their friendship with the world is broken; they do not act, look, or dress like the world. If this is not your experience, you do not resemble the Son of God. Therefore, you will not see Him when He comes (at the rapture).

"Look out for Number One" is the order of the world of today. They think it foolish for one to wear himself out in wholehearted service. Jesus' servants look not on the things which are seen (temporal), but on the things which are not seen, only with an eye of faith, for they are eternal. A whole-

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faint emblem of the heavenly kingdom. There is a tree of life everbearing its immortal fruit. There is a river of life clear as a crystal flowing from the throne of God in the land of the unclouded skies and the unsetting sun. It is one of joy and pleasure for ever more. A land prepared for and promised to God's spiritual Israel.

The former Canaan was prepared for and bestowed upon the believing posterity of Abraham. All who possess the faith of Abraham are thus His spiritual seed which inherit the kingdom above.

Fear not little flock for it is the Father's will to give you the kingdom. God's kingdom is in Heaven. Jesus' kingdom will be set up on earth for He is already the conquering King. There are good things prepared for those who love and obey God.

Paradise is the rest of the soul at death. We will be one thousand years with Christ on earth during the Millennium. Hence, we say come thou with us, and we will do thee good.

There are many who are not in this heavenly way to this good land. The Scripture says, Wide is the gate and broad is the way and many go in thereat. Strait is the gate and narrow is the way and few there be that find it. Matthew 7:13-14. Many in our own country and many in our own neighborhood aren't traveling this heavenly way. There is room and freedom for more in the way to Heaven.

It is said that the way is narrow, but that refers to character—too narrow to admit the least indulgence of sin; but in point of room, wide enough for the whole world.

Yes, after all we have set out to Zion. There is yet room for more. The Spirit and the bride say come. All that will may come and take of the water of life freely. He that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out. "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isa. 1:18. "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die?" Ezek. 33:11.

God's people are anxious that other people should join them in their way to Heaven. Tradesmen will often try to monopolize. Not so in Christianity. The believer does not wish to go to Heaven alone. He knows that in breaking the bread of life to others it is multiplied in his hands. The more he gives the more is left for himself. In blessing he is blessed. The most foreign thing to Christianity is to try to monopolize the thing and try to make the world believe that one little crowd has it all. To learn the value of souls is the greatness of the Gospel of salvation; therefore, he desires that souls should enjoy the salvation and be delivered from the wrath of God.

God's people use their influence to prevail with those around them to accompany them to Heaven. They can invite them by example, by being sweet of temper, having a good disposition and a righteous life. Thereby, they influence others that God is with them.

God's people have good reasons to believe why those around them should go with them to the Gloryland.

The reasons in the text are two: First, the Lord will do thee good; second, the Lord has spoken good concerning us. The first is the human reason and is limited. The second is a divine reason and is unlimited.

We will do you good. Every human being may do much good or much evil. We may do good by showing the sinner the way of God more perfectly, and by kindly encouraging him by example and spiritual influence. One of the greatest ways a Christian can do this is by precept and example. Those who are unsaved are watching the lives of God's professing people. They are continually watching for someone who is a real possessor of the divine blessing. Little defects in a Christian life will do much harm. On the other hand sinners should not look at these things for we shall appear at the judgment seat and there give an account.

Jesus is our highest example. It is thru Him that we have eternal life. As all sinners delay to join Zion's travelers, they are ever ready to point out the defects of those who fail.

God help us to live so close to You that those who are not saved will accept the truth and manifest it by say-

hearted acceptance and application for the principles which controlled the life of Jesus does not prevent honest and legitimate business, but does do away with fraud, profiteering, extortion, cheat, humbuggery, greed, etc. When we become like the Son of God all these things give way to holy living and loving service.

Dear reader, where are you? Are you striving to be like Him in all these things? Is your life consecrated to God? Are you measuring up to His Word? Do you expect to go in the rapture? "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that when he shall appear we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

MISSION REPORT

July 1st to Sept. 30, 1929

E. J. Boehmer, Gen. Sec.

Sylacauga, Ala. 34c; Crumley's Chapel, Ala. 13c; Manns Choice, Pa. 90c; Crane Eater, Ga. 58c; Walhalla (country) S. C. \$2.09; Knoxville, Tenn. \$5.33; LaFayette, Ga. 24c; Monroe, Va. \$6.70; Olustee, Fla. \$1.30; Wauchula, Fla. \$1.05; Largo, Fla. \$3.36; Linden, Pa. \$3.24; Atlanta, Ga. \$4.11; Atlanta, Ga. \$5.81; Middletown, Ohio, \$4.79; Mollie Wilson, Ravia, Okla. \$5.00; Somerset, Pa. \$2.65; Jacksonville, Fla. \$5.27; Ft. White, Fla. 70c; Wilmington, N. C. 90c; Fruitland, Md. \$1.17; Parkersburg, W. Va. \$1.58; Blacksburg, S. C. \$1.05; Columbus, Ga. \$1.28; Zellwood, Fla. \$1.50; Philadelphia, Pa. \$1.10; Philadelphia, Pa. 97c; Okeechobee, Fla. 17c; Montgomery, Ala. \$1.00; Anderson, S. C. \$1.07; Walhalla, (town) S. C. \$2.75; So. Lebanon, Ohio, \$1.00; Charlotte, N. C. \$3.31; Joplin, Mo. \$1.29; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$5.90; Stroud, Okla. 87c; Petersburg, W. Va. \$1.32; Rock Hill, Fla. 38c; Washington, N. C. 63c; Thomasville, Ala. \$1.20; Carson Spgs., Tenn. 65c; Cawood, Ky. \$2.45; Manatee, Fla. \$2.00; Ferndale, Fla. 49c; Chokoloskee, Fla. 41c; Mineral Wells, Texas, 68c; Lone Elm, Texas, 30c; Lannius, Texas, 11c; Lawton, Okla. \$1.43; Ardmore, Okla. 45c; Sulphur Springs, Fla. \$1.08; New Summit, Ark. 98c; Coconut Grove, Fla. \$1.79; Wimauma, Fla. \$2.22; Lowe, W. Va. 41c; Lester, W. Va. 10c; LaBelle, Fla. \$1.68; Bethel, Miss. 72c; Lancaster, Ohio, \$1.17; East Chattanooga, Tenn. \$7.25; Reading, Pa. \$2.10; Tampa, Fla. \$4.66; Brownfield, Tex. \$3.00; Somerset, Ky. \$5.40; Eldorado, Ill. 60c; Ravenna, Ky. \$2.12; Sebwa, Mich. 95c; Allison's Chapel, Va. \$1.46; Dividing Ridge, Tenn. \$9.00; Homosassa, Fla. 70c; Lawrenceville, Ill. \$2.20; Lenoir City, Tenn. 80c; St. Joseph, Mo. 75c; Olney, Ill. \$2.07; Boswell, Pa. \$1.70; Wilsendale, W. Va. \$1.25; St. Louis, Mo. \$1.04; Cincinnati, Ohio, \$4.00; Lindale, Ga. \$1.55; Dade City, Fla. 25c; Mt. Vernon, Ill. \$1.30; Lubbock, Texas, 70c; Gasparilla, Fla. \$2.25; 3833 Haverford Ave., Phil., Pa. \$2.75; Mobette, Texas, 94c; Norris-town, Pa. \$1.22; W. M. Martin, Ft. Meade, Fla. 60c; Old Landing, Ky. 25c; Branford, Fla. 08c; Ft. Worth, Texas, \$2.04; Rock Hill, S. C. 35c; Flat Rock, N. C. 25c; Monroe, La. \$1.49; Bedico, La. 20c; Lake Monroe, Fla. 28c; Hudson, La. \$2.50; Salisbury, Md. 63c; Chauncey, Ill. 37c; J. H. Curry, Fla. \$1.00; Harrisburg, Pa. \$1.77; Wheelers Chapel, Miss. 15c; Berryton, Ga. 84c; Arcadia, Fla. 67c; Marietta, Ohio, \$2.11; Weatherford, Texas, \$2.35; Cambridge, Md. \$7.37; Slaton, Texas, 35c; Ella Mae Swanson, 50c; Wimauma, Florida, camp meeting, \$126.00; Alligood, North Carolina, 25c; Center Hill, Fla. 10c; Boynton, Pa. \$1.11; Toledo, Ohio, \$1.94; Avon Park, Fla. \$1.51; Cantwell, Mo. \$3.32; Plaza, N. Dak. \$2.16; Savannah Branch, La. 45c; Cross City, Fla. 20c; Leadwood, Mo. 45c; Garrison, W. Va. \$1.20; James Roberts, Treas. Stillmore, Ga. 60c; Williston, Fla. 62c; Williston, Fla. \$1.00; Williston, Fla. \$1.17; Orlando, Fla. \$1.30; Baxley, Ga. \$3.58; Baldwin Park, Calif. \$1.66; Belmont, N. C. \$1.10; Carbur, Pa. \$2.98; Alabama City, Ala. \$13.18; Rock Hill, Fla. 40c; LaFayette, Ga. 26c; Eldorado, Md. 60c; Olustee, Fla. \$1.61; Lumber City, Ga. \$1.35; Charlotte, N. C. \$2.75; Walhalla, (town) S. C. \$2.30; Middlesex, N. C. \$1.04; Petersburg, W. Va. \$1.29; Deerfield, Va. 22c; Bushnell, Fla. 52c; Jacksonville, Fla. \$3.70; Rocky Mount, N. C. 31c; Townsend, Tenn. 31c; Shamrock, Texas, 62c; Corsicana, Tex. \$2.00; Leighton, Ky. 16c; Wauchula, Fla. \$1.20; Manatee, Fla. \$2.50; Seaford, Del. 65c; Mollie Wilson, Okla. 25c; Joplin, Mo. \$1.15; Blacksburg, S. C. \$1.00; Knoxville, Tenn. \$3.45; Ella Mae Gaines, Del. \$1.00; Philadelphia, Pa. 94c; W. Philadelphia, Pa. \$1.71; Lancaster, Ohio, 67c; Eldorado, Md. 70c; Washington, N. C. 74c; East Laport, N. C. 10c; Montgomery, Ala. 55c; St. Luke, Md. \$1.50; Crane Eater, Ga. 62c; Ferndale, Fla. 78c; Largo, Fla. \$3.42; Anderson, S. C. 62c; New Summit, Ark. 82c; Clyde, N. C. 86c; Flat Rock, Mt. Airy, N. C. 35c; Ravenna, Ky. \$2.68; Lester, W. Va. 10c; Somerset, Pa. \$2.57; Arcadia, S. C. 50c; Ardmore, Okla. 79c; Linden, Fla. 90c; Eldorado, Ill. \$2.52; Macclenny, Fla. \$2.19; Monroe, La. \$1.19; Parkersburg, W. Va. 35c; Wilsendale, W. Va. \$1.20; Cawood, Ky. 35c; Reading, Pa. \$1.76; Stroud, Okla. 40c; Middletown, Ohio, \$2.75; Manns Choice, Pa. \$1.25; Zellwood, Fla. 75c; LaBelle, Fla. \$2.14; Coconut Grove, Fla. \$1.15; Monroe, Va. \$3.00; J. B. Clark, Ill. \$3.00; Norris-town, Pa. \$1.15; Kermit, W. Va. \$1.70; Cambridge, Md. \$4.50; Alligood, N. C. 26c; Arcadia, Fla. 62c; Ft. White, Fla. 70c; Walhalla, (country) S. C. 37c; Sebwa, Mich. 50c; Elkins, W. Va. \$2.85; Lannius, Tex. 61c; Marietta, Okla. \$1.31; Olney, Ill. \$1.54; Lawton, Okla. \$1.70; Lenoir City, Tenn. 65c; Carson Springs, Tenn. \$1.28; Chokoloskee, Fla. 30c; St. Joseph, Mo. 52c; Tampa, Fla. \$2.03; Wilmington, N. C. 69c; Boswell, Pa. \$1.25; Cincinnati, Ohio, \$2.50; Alachua, Fla. \$1.75; Thomasville, Ala. \$1.07; Crumley's Chapel, Ala. \$1.04; Boynton, Pa. \$1.32; Alliance, Ga. 27c; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$6.06; Harrisburg, Pa. \$1.53; Walkertown, Ky. \$1.98; Lubbock, Texas, 30c; Lone Elm, Texas, 10c; Hoxie, Ark. 30c; Princeton, W. Va. \$1.07; Lawrenceville, Ill. \$1.30; Big Timber, Mont. \$4.08; R. Miller, Chicago, Ill. \$5.00; Carrier Mills, Ill. 40c; Gasparilla, Fla. 18c; Leadwood, Mo. 30c; Plaza, N. Dak. 97c; Ensley, Ala. \$2.10; Mt. Vernon, Ill. \$1.30; Lake Monroe, Fla. 15c; Cantwell, Mo. \$1.75; Erwin Hill, Ga. 19c; Chauncey, Ill. 37c; White Cloud, Mich. \$5.02; Old Landing, Ky. 28c; Rock Hill, S. C. 18c; Rock Hill, S. C. 35c; Kathleen, Fla. 15c; Wimauma, Fla. \$1.52; Bedico, La. 37c; Weatherford, Texas, \$1.80; Savannah Branch, La. 20c; Avon Park, Fla. 70c; Lake Wales, Fla. \$1.21; Lake Wales, Fla. 42c; Lake Wales, Fla. \$1.55; Slaton, Tex. 72c; Homosassa, Fla. 71c; Baldwin Park, Calif. \$1.78; Ranger, Tex. \$1.25; Kermit, W. Va. \$1.00; Branford, Fla. 78c; Clearfork, W. Va. \$1.20; Orlando, (col) Fla. \$1.43; Mrs. Thelma Varney, W. Va. 25c; Salem, Fla. \$2.39; East Chattanooga, Tennessee, \$7.15; Charlotte, N. Carolina, \$3.50; Harlan, Ky. \$4.47; So. Phil. Pa. \$1.21; New Summit, Ark. \$1.03; Eva Okain, Nashville, Tenn. \$1.00; LaFayette, Ga. 67c; Ferndale, Fla. \$1.68; Clyde, N. C. 85c; Kannapolis, N. C. \$4.43; Linden, Fla. 75c; Ft. White, Fla. 76c; Middletown, Ohio, \$3.10; Thomasville, Ala. \$1.50; Petersburg, W. Va. \$1.01; St. Luke, Md. \$2.60; Washington, N. C. 30c; Knoxville, Tenn. \$3.85; Joplin, Mo. 80c; Monroe, Va. \$1.00; Middelex, N. C. 37c; Hiawatha, W. Va. 25c; Walhalla, (country) S. C. 51c; Olustee, Fla. \$1.20; Sylacauga, Ala. 29c; Rocky Mount, N. C. 77c; Shamrock, Tex. 69c; Arcadia, Fla. \$2.18; Manatee, Fla. \$1.25; Crane Eater, Ga. 73c; Rock Hill, Fla. 22c; Lindale, Ga. \$1.58; Largo, Fla. \$3.04; Macclenny, Fla. \$1.97; Parkersburg, W. Va. 65c; Ravenna, Ky. \$2.38; Cawood, Ky. 82c; Anderson, S. C. 29c; Erwin Hill, Ga. 14c; Lumber City, Ga. \$1.25; Eldorado, Ill. \$2.13; Leighton, Ky. 15c; Old Landing, Ky. 30c; Boswell, Pa. \$1.82; East Laport, N. C. 11c; Glen Morrison, W. Va. \$3.85; Lawrenceville, Ill. \$1.37; Carson Springs, Tenn. 48c; Salisbury, Md. 62c; Seaford, Del. 70c; Kermit, W. Va. 95c; Montgomery, Ala. 28c; Elkins, W. Va. \$1.03; Arcadia, Fla. 53c; Lannius, Tex. 05c; Olney, Ill. \$1.12; Tampa, Fla. \$3.84; Lakeland, Fla. 73c; Gaffney, S. C. 35c; St. Louis, Mo. \$1.63; Eldorado, Md. 42c; Norris-town, Pa. \$1.29; Manns Choice, Pa. \$3.56; Lorena Cotton, Fla. \$1.00; Ardmore, Okla. 46c; Stroud, Okla. 33c; Somerset, Pa. \$4.36; St. Joseph, Mo. 50c; Coconut Grove, Fla. \$1.02; Whitlow Grove, Ark. \$1.00; Coconut Grove, Fla. (Special from that church for work in Jamaica.) \$30.00; Ranger, Tex. \$1.25; W. Philadelphia, Pa. \$1.50; LaBelle, Fla. \$2.08; Branford, Fla. 08c; Big Timber, Mont. 90c; Wilsendale, W. Va. \$1.57; Leadwood, Mo. 27c; Slaton, Tex. 25c; Mary Tidwell, Miss. 30c; Harlan, Ky. \$7.05; Bedico, La. 15c; Monroe, La. 96c; Crumleys Chapel, Ala. 13c; Cincinnati, Ohio, \$4.00; Ella Mae Gaines, Del. \$1.00; Salem, W. Va. \$2.15; Flat Rock, N. C. 50c; Carrier Mill, Ill. 51c; Lake Monroe, Va. 18c; Paragould, Ark. 50c; Greenville, S. C. \$2.00; Mt. Vernon, Ill. \$1.25; Mt. Zion, Fla. \$2.00; Cantwell, Mo. \$3.26; E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$6.93; Lone Elm, Tex. 40c; Mrs. M. E. Hodges, Ala. \$1.00; Calhoun, Ga. \$1.75; Akron, Ohio, \$3.19; Chauncey, Ill. 37c; Hudson, Pa. \$1.94; Jacksonville, Fla. \$4.35; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$4.26; Savannah Branch, La. 29c; Garrison, W. Va. 75c; Orlando, Fla. \$2.00; Lawton, Okla. \$1.12; Cambridge, Md. \$9.11; Kathleen, Fla. 15c; Boynton, Pa. \$1.23; Tarpon Springs, Fla. \$2.74; Reading, Pa. \$1.75; Ensley, Ala. 50c; Wilmington, N. C. 85c; White Cloud, Mich. \$1.25; Plaza, N. Dak. \$1.77; Gasparilla, Fla. 19c; A. R. Martin, Pa. \$1.00; Harrisburg, Pa. \$1.90; Lubbock, Tex. 12c; Walkertown, Ky. 66c; Ralph Miller, Chicago, Ill. \$5.00; Zellwood, Fla. \$1.00; Cincinnati, Ohio, 25c; Lancaster, Ohio, 59c; Spence, Ga. 95c; Marietta, Ohio, \$1.83; St. Charles, Va. 15c; Marietta, Ga. \$2.95; Sulphur Springs, Fla. 40c; Honey Comb, Ill. 70c; Shawneetown, Ill. 33c; Ridgeway, Ill. 30c; Wimauma, Fla. \$1.73; Williston, Fla. 65c; Williston, Fla. 50c; Pineysong, Ga. \$2.33; Carters Chapel, Ga. 50c; Zion (Surrency), Ga. \$4.00; Crumleys Chapel, Ala. 18c; Miami, Fla. \$11.26.

REQUESTS

My baby born in August has a hairlip. Please pray for the Lord to heal him. A sister in Christ, Mrs. Roy Sheffer, Pontiac, Mich.

I am not well and ask all the saints to pray for me to be healed. Pray for my sister who has a bad sore on her lower limb and is trusting the Lord. Also pray for my mother's eyes. I ask Brother Rouse to pray a special prayer for us.—A sister in Christ, Sabie Paramore, Ochlocknee, Ga.

I want all of the saints to pray for us. We have been having the chills. We have a little girl who has had a chill every day for three weeks. She got better and we thought she was healed but she got worse. Yesterday while she was having a chill I went off and asked God to let it be a light one and it was lots lighter than the one the day before. I am asking the

NOTICES

Our home coming day will be the 2d Sunday in Oct., 1929 at the Church of God, Plant City, Fla. (west side of town near government quarters, one block north of Tampa Highway). We expect every member of the church (if possible) to be here and we especially invite all preachers and their congregations with everybody else in reach, to come. Let's have a real old time home coming gathering together. Come early, one and all, with a basket of dinner. Stay all day and enjoy good preaching and singing and the blessings of the Lord in the old fashion way. Come! Come! Let us unite our efforts together in the service of the Lord and be prepared and looking for the coming of Jesus and the great home coming day around His throne, never more to part. Will look for you. Don't disappoint us.—W. R. Hadcock, pastor, 811 West Quincy St., Lakeland, Fla.

This is to notify the church at large that I. N. Davenport (col.) is no longer a minister or member of the Church of God. He has joined the Baptist church.—Ed Johnson, (col.), pastor.

The Orlando church would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: Sister Annie Evans, Sister Alice Denson, Brother Carl Black, Sister Hattie White, Sister Martha White, Brother Herbert Alderman, Sister M. W. Joiner, Sister Mattie Livingston, Sister Sarah Carter, Brother Robert McHulley, Sister Willie Peck, Sister Velma Denson, Opal Denson, Sister Dorothy Cowart, Sister Ida Livingston, Sister Pearl Harris, Sister Vesta Black, Brother T. C. Vales, Sister T. C. Vales. We ask that you move your membership to the nearest church. If not heard from in thirty days your names will be dropped.—C. W. Cole, clerk, Rt. 19, Orlando, Fla.

The Church of God at Marks, Miss. wants to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: Arthur Reed, Talmage Oliver, James Floyd. Please answer.—Mrs. D. M. Towary, clerk.

I would like very much to have some good spirit-filled musician and singer to go back to Maine with me from the Assembly for some meetings. It is a very needy field and if you de-

saints to pray that she will stop having chills. We have had bad chills but God has healed us all without a dose of medicine or anything and I know he can and will heal this little one. She wants the Lord to be the one that heals her.

The girl who had the hiccoughs so long is now well. She had them eleven weeks. She did not know to trust God alone as she was a sinner but all the doctors had given her up and I know God healed her. Pray for her that God won't let her go back in sin like she was. Pray that God will keep His hand on her until she gets the Holy Ghost. Pray for our home. We need your prayers.—A sister in the great Church of God, Mrs. Ben Smith, Rt. 2, Henning, Tenn.

Pray that I'll get the Holy Ghost and be healed of nervousness.—Mrs. D. M. Cobb, Holly Hill, S. C.

Please pray a special prayer for Mrs. Mary Goss. She is afflicted badly in body. The doctors have given her up and she can never get well unless the Lord heals her. Pray for the Lord to help her to know just what He would have her do. I want to see her healed and become a child of God, all to His glory.—Pearl Richards.

I am requesting prayer for the healing of my body as my health is very bad. I believe if all will pray for me the Lord will heal me.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Clara Kell, Sealy, N. C.

I desire the prayers of the Evangel readers that the Lord will make me strong in my body and make me a real overcomer for Him. I have an unsaved husband and three children. Pray that the Lord may bring them in before it is too late.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Florence Wear, 105 3rd Ave., Pratt City, Ala.

Pray for my two boys to be saved. I also have a girl eleven years old, who has been afflicted with rheumatism for over six years. She has not walked in a long time. Please pray for her. Pray for my body. I need more strength to do my work.—A sister, Mrs. G. K. Stokes, Largo, Fla.

I was sick and would not have a doctor. The Lord healed me. When I went to work they had given someone else my job because I would not have a doctor. Pray that a way will be opened for me and that I will be back at work.—I. M. Knight, Carbur, Fla.

Please continue to pray for Effie Glenn Lunsford, that God will protect her and bring her home if she is alive, if not, that I may have her body. Her father is unsaved and is so stricken with grief he can't bear it like I can. I take my burdens to the Lord, but this is the greatest trial I have ever had—to think that perhaps she may be sold and fastened up. Oh God, help us. Please pray, Yes, I know God works all things out for good to them that love Him, but pray for her.—Her mother, Mattie Lunsford, 612 N. Broadway, Knoxville, Tenn.

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cryeth day and night unto Him, though He bear long with them!" I tell you He will avenge them speedily. The promise to avenge speedily is on the conditions that we pray and do not faint and give up. I can imagine thousands saying, We will not faint and give up, but we will make our petition and trust in the Lord till we die.

sire to sacrifice and work some for the Lord on the free will offering plan as there are no churches there, please write me and I will tell you more. Sister Vivian Haworth has been working there with me but has arranged to stay for Bible School and teach music. Please let me hear from you at once.—Your sister under the blood, Nannie Ruth (Hagewood) Bowles, 442 St. Marks Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

We would like to know the whereabouts of Brother and Sister L. V. Sapp. When last heard from they were in Sioux, Miss. We have not heard from them in nearly a year.—A brother, G. G. Prince, clerk, Rt. 2, Pelham, Ga.

We are in a meeting near Casie Springs about nine miles south of Spring Place. Would be glad if every one close around would come and help out in the meeting. I have a large 50x80 ft. tent. It has only been stretched about eight times. Any one wishing to hold a camp meeting, state convention or a tent meeting, may write me. My address will be Rome, Ga. Please pray for me.—Your brother in Christ, Odus Smith.

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following: Marie Coleman, Bertha Hampel, Ruby McSwain, Mary Hicks, C. C. Bozmore, Mattie Clemons, Eva B. Potter, Lewis Herin, Alma Lessey, Dorah Henry, Annie Bozmore. If they are not heard from in a reasonable length of time the church will act upon and drop them for disloyalty to the church.—Church of God, Macon, Ga., R. L. Bradford, clerk.

Anyone wishing to work for the Lord in a new field, write me as we need a preacher here very much.—Your brother in Christ, Wm. H. Coon, 603 East Chase St., Pensacola, Fla.

The home coming for the Church of God at Clarks Chapel, Point, Tex. will convene Oct. 13th. We would be glad for our State Overseer to be with us, also our District Pastor, or any minister who wishes to come will find a hearty welcome. Anyone wishing to come will be welcome. Those who have moved away and whose membership is at the Church at Clarks Chapel, please be sure to come if possible as this will be home coming day. Come praying and expecting a good time with the Lord. Every one welcome.—Program committee, Annie Gresham, Annie Foreman.

Anyone wanting conveyance to the Assembly anywhere in reach of me, I will take a truck for \$10.00 each for the round trip. Have a new Chevrolet truck. Will be well closed and seated. Write me at once.—W. A. Taylor, Lambert, Miss.

SPECIAL NOTICE

My attention has been called to my final report on conventions in the sixth column of the first page of the Evangel, dated Sept. 21. In my comments on Brother Clark's report, I just said the North Carolina convention was next in giving a complete report. I meant to convey the idea that Brother Clark gave the best and most systematic report of any of the state overseers. Brother John L. Stephens, overseer of North Carolina, gave the next best report. In fact, these two reports were along the same line, Brother Clark's being a little more complete. All state overseers would do well to inquire of these two brethren as to their methods of carrying on and reporting their work in the states. With love and best wishes, I am yours very truly, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer.

This is to notify the Churches of God in Virginia that J. J. York is no longer a minister in the Church of God.—H. B. Simmons, State Overseer.

To the Church at large: This is to notify you that D. R. Byrd is no longer a minister in the Church of God.—H. B. Simmons, overseer of Va.

ATTENTION

I had so many requests from the brethren in the Church to print the article, "The Shepherd and the Sheep," which appeared in the Evangel in April 1927, in tract form, that I decided to do so. They are now ready and may be had by ordering from me at the address given below, and paid for when sold. Price 10c each. This is a nice little booklet of fourteen pages, well bound, an exposition of the 23rd Psalm.

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He preaches the old time gospel
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We have a good Sunday School,
It is a real success;
You may have a larger one,
But we believe ours as good as the rest.

We have some good singers
Who can sing both loud and long;
Sister Williams is pianist,
Brother Jack Ellis leads in song.

We all can sing a little
Who don't know music well;
But if we keep on practicing
What will happen we can't tell.

The spirit of unity is prevailing,
With other churches in town,
Tho we have some good meetings
And we feel we are gaining ground.

We are looking for a revival,
We feel it in our heart
And believe it will sweep the city,
If we only do our part.

The Church of God at Ft. Worth is moving,
It is getting along fine,
And when you pray please remember us,
That we will ever let our light shine.

As Isaac Finally Succeeded So Have We

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Our revival in Thomasville, Ala. has gone and we are still feeling the effects of it. Brother Luther A. Richard came all the way from Copper Hill, Tenn. and entered the battle. We have been having quite a time this year in getting settled as to a place for a house of worship. It is like Isaac digging wells and the enemy contending for them, but as he finally dug one and the enemy allowed him to use it in peace, so have we finally found a resting place where we can shout.

Brother Harmon fired the camp last year with a red hot revival. Brother Richard did some good preaching and souls were slain under the power of God. People looked on in wonder at what God was doing. One man lay under the power until about 3:00 a. m. and then received the Holy Ghost at home the next day. "My didn't it rain!" Eight received the Holy Ghost, eight were baptized in water and eleven were added to the church.

Say, we are feeling good in South Alabama. The old time power is falling. Come on, boys, and let's go over the top for Jesus. Amen.—Humbly, P. F. Fritz.

We Kept Right On

LARGO, Fla. — Some may think because of being so quiet that perhaps we are sleeping, but we're glad to report that we're very much awake.

On Thursday night August 1st we launched a campaign against the devil and all his forces. Did he object? Yes, indeed he did, but we kept right on just the same. We remembered where Jesus said whatsoever we would ask in His name and believe we would receive. The devil knew it was true and he could not dispute it. We began to ask God to save, sanctify and baptize with the Holy Ghost. One received the baptism the first service. We continued on until Monday night and was praying that God would send someone to help in the revival. The following Monday Brother E. L. Hicks of Hudson, Fla. and Brother J. M. Bradley came over. Brother Bradley stayed for only two services, one of which he delivered an interesting sermon, leaving Brother Hicks in charge of the meeting. We believe he was at his best for God, inasmuch that God blessed him in giving out the Word, praying for the sick, etc.

Brother Sapp and family of Wimauma also visited us. Brother Sapp, a former pastor of this church, delivered an interesting discourse while here. Brother Stocton, formerly a school teacher at Largo and who is a deacon in the church, came with him. He remained with us for several days and was a faithful and very successful worker at the altar.

Sister Ora White of Tampa was also with us thruout most of the meeting. We are sure that she too is a precious little saint of God and that eternity alone will reveal the effects of her prayers and faithfulness in the altar. We feel that what we could say would not give justice not only to the visitors but to the faithful members as well, as they would fast, cry, pray and work for the saving of lost souls. Either 17 or 18 received the Holy Ghost, thirteen came into the church, with others to come soon, and eleven were baptized. We don't know just how many were saved and sanctified, but sure of several. The altar was filled thru the meeting.

At the close of the meeting we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. We must say that God was with us thruout the three weeks of the meeting, and at different times the Holy Ghost would take the entire service, relieve the preacher of preaching and make the altar call. Souls would fill the altar from twenty-five to thirty at different times. Until the very last God was with us, and it seemed this was the sweetest service of the meeting for which we thank the Lord.

We cannot forget to say that God is blessing at Largo and has wonderfully blessed us during the past two years of work at this place. Yes, we have a band of young people here that the church appreciates and the Lord also. They have been brought thru some dark places by prayer and fasting. Three of our girls graduated from high school last year and some of them expect to go to Bible School this year.

We have a string band of ten parts that we appreciate very much. The writer and husband are very much interested in young people. We remember how Satan tried with every dis-

LETTERS IN INTEREST Of The BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

T. S. PAYNE, Supt. J. H. WALKER, Sec'y. & Treas.
CLEVELAND TENNESSEE

He That Hath Knowledge Spareth His Words

Surely there never was a time in the history of the world when God's people needed to acquire knowledge more than at the present time. There are people today who seem to think we need not study so hard to gain knowledge. They say that God will give us the things we should know. Perhaps that theory is all right in a measure. I am reminded of an occasion when God spoke to Moses and asked him to lead the children of Israel out of Egypt. But Moses was slow of speech and he preferred not to go. God chose Aaron to go with Moses as his mouthpiece. It would have been just as easy for God to have permitted Moses to become a more eloquent speaker, but this was not God's plan. As God's plan was to send Aaron as Moses' mouthpiece so also we believe it God's plan to allow the Church of God Bible School to be established for the purpose of giving His people instruction in the way of knowledge.

In this school you will find it very easy to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; you will really receive more than just a knowledge of books. You will learn to pray and get a hold of God, for prayer is very frequently offered up while in the schoolroom. I am homesick for the next term of school. The proof of the pudding is in the eating, so come on and see for yourself. Pray for me that I will be an obedient child of God, that He may make a way for me to be in Bible School next term.—Your brother in Christ and for lost souls, Daniel Cupp, Augusta, W. Va.

BIBLE SCHOOL

We have found a place to learn God's Word,
And where do you think that could be?
If you look for it, you surely will say,
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Brother Walker, the teacher, surely can explain
The Word of God and the millennium reign;
Brother Payne, the superintendent, is sure to be there
To encourage us on with a word of cheer.

couraging feature possible to throw us by the wayside, but we thank the Lord for grace, power and victory thru it all. We believe every minister in the Church of God owes their very best attention to the welfare of our young people for this reason: The future welfare of the church depends largely upon their knowledge and faithfulness to God and His cause. Space will not permit us to say all we would like to on this subject. We will look for you at the Assembly soon.—Maggie (Free) Chesser.

May The Bible School Grow And Prosper

I'm truly thankful I can report victory over sin. It is wonderful to have God's blessings and approval to rest upon you. The Lord has promised to bless all that would trust and obey Him. I'm glad I have found Him true. As the autumn wind begins to blow it makes me know that the General Assembly of the Churches of God will soon be at hand and how we are all planning to be there. Some will be disappointed and sad because they won't get to be at the Assembly here on earth, but just think, dear ones, if we are true and humble to Jesus some day we can be at the General Assembly in Heaven.

Soon after the Assembly has been dismissed the dear Bible Training School will begin. It makes my heart leap with joy to know there will be a number that will gather in our humble little schoolroom and thank God because they are permitted to be there and enjoy the good heavenly feeling that is felt there. There is no place so sacred to me as the dear beloved schoolroom. There is a sweet sacredness felt there that I've been unable to find elsewhere. It grieves my heart to know I can't be in the number that will have their names on the school roll. My heart longs to be back with the Christian girls and boys who are trying to know more about the Lord. I'm sure all the graduates of '29 can say with me, "If I were financially able I would like to go and start anew."

I am very grateful to Brothers Payne and Walker for their help and the kindness shown me while there. I am glad I can say they show no respect of person. They loved us all as sisters and brothers. They were very patient and kind. There is no place you can go and learn more about the Word of God and how to study it than at the Bible School. When I hear people say, "I don't believe in the Bible School because they try to make preachers out of you, and man-made preachers never accomplish anything. And too, so many lose what victory they do have when they go to the Bible School," it makes my heart sad. All I can say is, God forgive them, for they know not what they say. I would be afraid to say anything like that, for Rev. 21:8 says,

The singing and praying you should hear,
'Twould make you think that Heaven was near;
The power comes down in a mighty way
And blesses our souls from day to day.

Take my advice and do not delay,
The B. T. S. welcomes you this way;
If you come here, you surely will say,
No wonder the devil tried to keep me away.
A student, Richard S. Murray, Somerset, Pa.

GREAT VICTORY Wonderful To Hear The Reports

BRISTOL, Tenn.—We have just closed a revival here with great victory. Thirty-eight were saved, twenty-six sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-two came into the church and there are more to follow, twelve were baptized in water and fifteen more to be baptized next Sunday. We have about \$300.00 promised us on a new church, also 1,000 feet of lumber, so pray much for Bristol. May God bless all is my prayer.—Your brother in Christ, Ed Johnson.

Preached The Doctrine

We have just closed a three weeks meeting at Dogwood Valley near Tunnel Hill, Ga. Five were saved, four sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. We preached the Church of God doctrine and pointed them to the Church at Dalton.—Yours in Christ, T. C. Lunsford.

"All liars shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone." They may not have the victory they once had but it is no fault of the Bible School. If you will obey the rules of the school, pray and read your Bible as you should, you will feel the sacred presence of Jesus with you wherever you go.

While I was in school I'm thankful I learned to study and appreciate my Bible more. I'm glad I can truthfully say that the happiest days of my life were spent in the dear schoolroom. I can never forget the wonderful times we have had during the series of prayers that were offered to God six times each day, and how He would bless us so wonderfully. Dear prospective B. T. S. students, as I won't be permitted to be with you in person this term, my prayers and thoughts will be with you. My prayer is that the school will continue to grow and prosper. I covet the prayers of the Evangel readers, that I will stay close to Jesus and be ready to go with Him when He comes or calls.—Your sister in Christ, Fredell Walker, Holly Ridge, La.

YOU ARE WELCOME

The Bible School opening is almost here
Happiest time of all the year,
Girls and boys from the north, south, east and west
Go there and strive to do our best
To learn more of His Word and a soldier be,
To help set other souls free.

If you haven't the blessing, you come too,
The Lord is there to bless you thru and thru;
We open school with a prayer and shout,
Surely there couldn't be any doubt,
So come on to B. T. S. don't stand and sigh,
If the devil says you can't, just tell him he's a liar.

We have teachers loving and kind
To help you out on every line,
So don't be afraid to come to school this Fall,
You are welcome one and all.
A student, Sallie Jones, Crystal River, Fla.

Dear Evangel readers, it is with pleasure that I write a few remarks about our district convention which convened at Ft. Lauderdale from Aug. 21-25. Though it has passed into the pages of history yet the happenings of its notable event linger within our minds. There were many remarks, discussion, advices and sermons that will not be forgotten. Truly this was the greatest convention we ever had in our district.

The welcome address was delivered by Sister Mary Johnson on Wednesday night. The opening address was by Deacon Moses Weech. These addresses were enjoyed by all. After these were many discussions by other ministers and a dismissal with hearty handshakes and fellowship greetings.

10:00 a. m. Thursday was the opening of the business of the convention. The minutes were read and accepted. Committees were appointed. It was a notable day. At 9:30 p. m. the sermon was delivered by Bishop N. S. Marcelle on the Mystery of the Trinity. The building was full and God was moving in Zion while the little servant of the Lord talked about this great subject. The altar was crowded with earnesthearted seekers.

Friday was women's day. At 8:45 p. m. Sister Victoria Davis delivered the sermon. Many were at the altar calling on the Lord.

Saturday was another wonderful day. Bishop J. E. Johnson and Deacon J. E. Rahming gave short talks. Advice to ministers was given by Bishop J. H. Curry. At 9:15 p. m. Evangelist W. Jones delivered a sermon. Again the altar was filled with seekers.

Sunday at 10:00 a. m. Sunday School was conducted by the writer, district superintendent. It was a wonderful lesson and enjoyed by all. We then had the call of the churches of the district. After dinner we gathered at 4:30 for the Young People's Missionary Band which was conducted by Brother R. Rahming. It was wonderful to hear the report of the missionaries. Best of all was the report of the Jr. Y. P. M. B. P. W. (Young People's Missionary Band Penny Workers). This is only about one month old. Truly the children are taking their part. Sister Bernice Major read the report. Bishop J. H. Curry gave some remarks about the work. The farewell sermon was given by Evangelist J. Ramsey.

\$22.34 were raised for orphanage and school, \$45.08 for public offering, \$38.27 Mission fund, \$12.00 in Y. P. M. B. and \$4.34 in Sunday School, which made a total amount of \$193.28 raised during the convention.

This was a wonderful convention. All the ministers stand together and the saints follow. Pray for us that the Lord will continue to bless us, that we will be perfect so when Jesus shall call us home to that great convention we will hear, Well done. Meet us at our district convention in July 1930, West Palm Beach, Fla. D. V.—Your brother, T. C. Cartwright, 219 N. W. Fifth Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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THE PRICE OF VICTORY

By Robert Hill

"And he said, Thus saith the Lord, make this valley full of ditches. For thus saith the Lord, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that valley shall be FILLED with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.

"And this is but a slight thing in the sight of the Lord: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand.

"And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every good piece of land with stones. AND IT CAME TO PASS." 2 Kings 3:16-20.

Comodore Perry tells us when he was in the Arctic regions pushing his way toward the north pole, he supposed one day that he had made an advance of ten miles when in reality he had lost two. While he was advancing, the ice on which he was traveling floated twelve miles toward the South. He discovered his error when he looked up and scanned the heavens. Say, let us get our eyes off the preachers, folks and surroundings, and fix them steadfastly on the Triune God, then every saint of God will know their location, and relation with God.

The chapter from which our text is taken is a lesson for every soul who will read and study its contents. Ahab the King of Israel had conquered Moab and ruled them with an iron hand. Upon the death of Ahab, Moab rebelled against the King of Israel and Jehoram, the successor of Ahab, numbered Israel for battle. He also invited Jehoshaphat, the King of Judah, to go with him against Moab, who assented to the request, saying, My people are as thy people and my horses as thy horses. Look here folks! What unity! Oh, get the vision. They marched, yes to be sure they marched, with the union of Edom also. A seven days journey thru the wilderness of Edom they marched, to a place where there was no water for man nor beast. Seeing the danger ahead, Israel's God-chosen king, asked, Has God brought these three kings here to deliver them into the hand of Moab?

But Jehoshaphat, the pious king of Judah, inquired for a prophet of the Lord. One of the king's servants answered, Here is Elisha who poured water on the hands of Elijah. Jehoshaphat said, He has the blessing, let us consult him. And they did. Say brother, you can always consult a man who has the blessing. But mind you this man of God believed in separation, and when he saw the worldly king of Israel he said, What have I to do with thee? and cited him to the prophets of his parents; but he reflected, if it were not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat, I would not look toward thee. Preachers who yield to wealth and position might well learn a lesson from the old prophet whose only title was a "Man of God," one who had humbly poured water on Elijah's hands.

"Thus Saith The Lord, Make This Valley Full of Ditches. For ***ye shall not see wind neither***rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water." You see these kings desired VICTORY, and God gives them the terms of Victory desired. The command is "Dig." Dig the ditches, obey the command, and get the victory. There is something for us to do. God could have slain all the enemy without the aid of man. Yea, God could have thundered in the heavens and hurled great stones against Moab's ranks, but in order to teach men lessons of trust and obedience, He makes them a party of the affair and says, "Make this Valley of Ditches." Here are the terms of VICTORY, get to work. Oh, thank God, He always lays down the terms and tells us plainly what they are. "If any man do his will, he shall know of the doctrine." "Bring ye all of the tithes into the storehouse." Folks, I have never written on tithes, I have never had a money-eyed hobby, but listen to me for Jesus' sake and the welfare of your precious souls. You are not only promised spiritual blessings, but listen what more we hear. "I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes." Yes, for YOUR SAKES. Dig the ditches and expect victory.

I have in mind a widowed saint of God. When the caterpillars were destroying her fruit trees, to the money chest she went claiming the promise while her brother went to the door to watch the caterpillars come down out of the apple trees; and they came.

Oh, but said one, I have paid my tithes and yet the blessing does not come as expected. No, the devourer still works. Well God bless your heart, you have some other ditch to dig, so get to digging, and when the last ditch is dug, the blessing will come. Mind you the text said, This valley shall be FULL of ditches. Just a few would not do.

A woman of Israel was left with two sons when her husband, a man of God, died in considerable debt. The creditor was pressing his claims, and threatened to sell her two sons according to their law. The widow went to the "Man of God" and said, "The creditor has come to take my two sons." The man of God said, "What shall I do for thee? what hast thou in the house?" She said, "Thine handmaid hath only a pot of oil." Then he said, "Go borrow vessels, not a few,

and when thou hast shut the door, pour out of that one vessel until all are FILLED." She obeyed and found the way to deliverance. Yea, she shut the door (Secret prayer), and obeyed and got the victory.

The Church of God was predestined in the secret chambers of the eternal Godhead to be a victorious Church, yea, a soul saving station full of love, power and influence. Provision has been made for every conflict. Yea, the price of victory is set, terms fixed and commands given for victory, victory, blessed blood bought victory. But if defeat comes, we cannot lie on our faces like Joshua always, but some one has sinned, failed to obey God, failed to pay the price and meet conditions. Get thee up and get to DIGGING. Yes, my brother, make the ditches, make the valley FULL of ditches.

Why stand ye here idle? Go work. They that are after the spirit, mind the things of the spirit, mind God and have the victory. People are seeking power, praying for power, and power is to be had, yea, Pentecostal power is to be had at Pentecostal prices, no more, no less. God never alters the terms for peasant or king, for rich or poor, preacher or laymen.

Here is a camp meeting in session. All the star preachers have been up and preached their star sermons, everyone trying to outstrip the other one, but the meeting seemed to be doomed to failure. There was an humble man of God, but not very popular, could get no advertising and would not push himself forward. Someone suggested that this man be put up to preach. This was agreed to. He preaches with an unction from the Holy One, and tears began to trickle down the cheeks of the congregation, hearts are broken up. The altar call is given, see the altar filling up and souls weeping their way to Calvary's bloody cross and are swept into the Kingdom of God's dear Son. Some of the "STARS" go to him and ask how it is done. He says, "I told God to give you all the popularity, the desire of your hearts, but give me souls for His kingdom." He had dug the ditches and got the victory. God wants men to live out of the sight of men and in the sight of God.

Here goes a fast line passenger train loaded with hundreds of God's creation. Here stands the conductor with his uniform and bright buttons radiating, and every eye is turned on him as he seems to be in full authority and every one is looking to him for protection; but wait a minute, take a look at the engine room, here is a man with coat off and the sweat streaming from him, shoveling coal for all he is worth. Look again, see the faithful engineer at the throttle with his eye on the road ahead. Your life and mine is in their hands. The man who deserves honor very seldom gets it as far as we are concerned.

The devil is busy today. Let some one get filled with the Holy Ghost and the devil will say, "Oh, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost are you? can walk on water I suppose? can raise the dead can you? Then just tell him you can if God wants you to, but you are waiting orders from headquarters above, and not from beneath.

Oh, my brother and co-worker for God and lost souls are you to labor all out of sight, no newspaper mention, no banquets, no applause, no smiles, no cheers, just laboring on for Him and those perishing around you? Yea, out of sight for Jesus until He saith, That is enough, come up higher.

My heart is sick and my soul is heavy. I am disgusted looking at the glaring reports of evangelistic campaigns so exaggerated and falsified, so much planning and scheming for pulpits and places that pay in finance. Of course we must have finance, but if we will dig the ditches the finance will come. Now for the promise, "When the ditches are ALL dug." I have seen churches in conventions and revival campaigns asking, What is wrong? why are there not the proper results? Invariably they have not complied with the conditions. They either purposely or ignorantly fail to comply with the terms given for just such occasions. Let the churches take their own medicine—obey God, "Dig the Ditches"—and it will soon be a victorious church; yea, a church that will hasten the coming of Jesus in the clouds of heaven. Suppose these armies should have said we are not going to dig until we see the clouds rising and the wind blowing. They would have died without water. But the promise was "Ye shall not see wind, neither shall there be any rain, but the ditches shall be filled with water," when you are thru digging, and not until then will the water begin to rise in the newly made ditches.

Pastor, call a meeting for Thursday night, a revival is coming. Nonsense, says the pastor, there has been no arrangements made, no renowned evangelist engaged, and besides I see no sign of a revival. But some one has dug the ditches and heard from Heaven. In persisting the pastor finally and reluctantly calls a meeting and says, No one will come. The night comes, the house is packed. The meeting gets under way in the opening exercise, and tears begin to fall from the eyes of sinners. But the preacher did not preach; of course, he did not, he was not in it. He could not understand it as he did not help dig the ditches. But God was sending the results, HEART-BREAKING conviction and soul-hunger in answer to prayer.

Some one all out of sight had dug the ditches, and lo, here was the water.

Now consider the last phrase. "And it came to pass." The ditches all dug, conditions all met, the price paid, and then what? What could you expect? What have we a right to expect? Why victory, of course.

Consider the time it came to pass. "In the morning when the meat offering was on the altar, it CAME TO PASS." How about your altar? your family altar? your secret altar of prayer and consecration and Holy devotion? No use looking for victory until our altars are in working order and everything on them. No use to look for water and the church altar as fireless as the north pole. No place of secret prayer, no victory, no success without it, try as hard as you may.

Water came by way of Edom. Note this! The old evangelistic prophets stood on the mountain peaks of prophecy and looked down thru the mist of the gloom of the coming ages, and saw one coming in strides of conquest. And he cried, "Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength?" Back came the answer, "I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore are thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat? I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me." "I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold." Yea, He came to deliver a race that was doomed to die. On He marches to Bethlehem with its manger over which the angelic host sang while shepherds bowed in wonder. On, yes, on to the Jordan, out in the wilderness where the devil learned a lesson, that God's dear Son was on the battlefield. Yea, he ran up on the boss of Jehovah's buckler. On to Gethsemane, to Pilate's judgement hall with His blessed face set towards the bloody cross. As He ever moves forward He is blessing mankind, giving health to the diseased, sight to the blind, deliverance to the captives, and the Gospel to the poor. Then up the rugged way to the scene of death where He stoops to conquer. He bows His head and dies, not the death of a martyr, but the death that redeemed the world and defeated hell. On to Joseph's tomb, arose from the grave, and marched on to Galilee to comfort the sorrowing disciples. On to Jerusalem and Olivet which is His last stepping stone from which He mounts up to meet the angelic host which was to escort Him to His mediatorial throne. From His throne today He says to every bloodwashed child of God, "What wouldst thou that I should do unto thee?" Oh, brother, He shall see of the travail of His soul and be satisfied. Comply with the terms, meet the conditions, "DIG THE DITCHES," and victory is doubly sure. Amen.

We Were Given Many Good Thoughts

LANCASTER, Ohio—The Circleville district convention convened at Wellston, Ohio Aug. 23, 24, 25. R. E. Hamilton is the district overseer. Service began Friday evening at 7:30 with songs, prayers and music. Sister Ethel Thacker of Wellston gave the welcome address. Next Brother Herschel Dillinger of Jackson, O. gave a short talk. He told us how we could and should be an example. He is on fire for God and his talk was enjoyed. At 8:30 Brother C. B. Huff of South Lebanon, O. brought the message on God's Requirements.

Saturday morning at 10:30 found us back in service praising God in song and prayer. Brother Roy Dougan of Portsmouth gave an address. At 11:00 Brother E. Haynes, state overseer, brought us a wonderful message on Sacrifice. He gave us many good thoughts. Service for the evening opened at 2:00 with songs and prayers. The afternoon was for business. At 7:30 we again entered into services. Sister Dougan of Portsmouth gave a short talk. Sister Edith Graves of Ray also gave a very interesting talk. At 8:30 Brother C. B. Huff brought the message on Finished Product. Both saint and sinner enjoyed the message.

Sunday morning we came back to the house of God feeling good in our souls, ready for another good feast from the Lord. At this time we listened to some interesting talks on Sunday School by Mrs. R. E. Hamilton of Lancaster and Brother Wesley Reid of Wellston. At 11:30 Brother Haynes brought a message on Church Government. After this wonderful message was enjoyed we were dismissed for dinner. A basket dinner was spread and another good feast was enjoyed. About 2:30 p. m. service opened with songs and prayers. An address was given on missions by the district overseer, R. E. Hamilton. Brother David Smith of Lancaster talked on the orphanage work. At 7:30 we assembled feeling fine and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. At 8:30 Brother C. B. Huff delivered the message on The Dispensation of the Holy Ghost. His message was very inspiring. After this wonderful message the convention came to a close. We said goodbye. —A sister in the Lord, (Miss) Della Swift.

Do You See Jesus?

Homer Smith, Point, Texas

This world is in darkness, deluded by the deception of an Antichrist spirit, crying, Away with this Christ; give us Barabbas. Their eyes are closed, being blinded by the god of this world (Paul says), sinking down in death and despair as the Antichrist makes his slimy maneuvers into power.

The divinity of our Christ is being doubted, not only by a class of heady professors who are brutish in their knowledge and confounded by the graven image, but by the man across the street, our next door neighbor. They say that Christ may have been a nule for all they know, which statement explains all they know about Him. With a delusion creeping upon them, they are blinded; they can't see Jesus. Dear reader, do you see Him?

With all the oppositions of hell to soon be turned loose on this world of unbelief, now is the time to put on the whole armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. Now is the time to get on God's Word and keep every commandment so you can be able to know that our Saviour really exists, and we will soon see the powers of this world wrenched from their greedy hands and given over to our Christ. Now we are coming to our text.

Heb. 2:8 says, "Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him."

We will use the first clause in the next verse for our text: "But we see Jesus." Glory to God! But now we see not yet all things put under him, but we see Jesus. Men's blindness tells them there is no Christ, no Saviour; they are so brutish as to call Him a devil, a winebibber and a mule, but we Church of God folks see Jesus. Paul says we do. He was seen of the twelve. After that He was seen of above five hundred. Paul makes a firm statement that he himself saw Him, and also tells us that we see Him. Glory to God! I'm rejoicing that we do, aren't you? We see Him as He prayed the agonizing prayer in Gethsemane; we see Him as He labored under the burden of the cross to Golgotha hill; we see Him as He paid the debt for us, leaving us indebted to Him. Ah, to think that He would leave the glorious presence of His Father as one brought up with Him. He was His daily delight, rejoicing all ways before Him, rejoicing in the habitable part of His earth and His delights were with the sons of men. We see Him as He innocently stands by on the sixth day (God having finished the creation of all earthly things on the fifth day) as God now makes Him a party to the creation of man, the sixth day's work; we see Him as He willingly submits in obedience as God the Father said, Let us make man in our image, knowing too, the price to be paid eventually. We see Him there as a lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Thank God for Jesus.

There was also another man who saw Him. We find in the 14th chapter of Genesis, Abraham, that precious man of God, saw Him in the office of the priest of the Most High God, Melchizedek, which was none other than Christ. "And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was priest of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: and blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all." Gen. 14:18-20. Why did Abraham give this man a tenth of all he possessed? Simply because He saw Him; He saw Jesus. Jesus said in John 8:56, "Abraham rejoiced to see my day, and saw it, and was glad."

Now we find in the 28th chapter of Genesis that Jacob saw Him too, as he was on his journey to Haran, fleeing from the wrath of Esau. We too are on a journey, fleeing from the wrath to come. We find as Jacob lies down to sleep he dreams a dream. He saw a ladder that reached to heaven, and angels ascending and descending on it, and behold, the Lord stood above it. And Jacob awoke out of his sleep and said, This is none other than the house of God (Church of God) and the gate of heaven. He told the Lord when he saw Him, after he awoke (for he had been asleep like lots of our people, and some are still sleeping, but I pray they will awake and do as Jacob), I've seen you now, and you are so good to me I'm going to walk in the steps of father Abraham; I'm his seed and I'm simply going to give you a tenth of all I have, or ever will have. Now the world says, "This is mine. I got it by the sweat of my brow." Inconsiderate! They are unholly and unthankful for the good things that come from the bountiful hand of their Maker. Lev. 27:30 says, "And all the tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord." God said it was holy unto Him. It is like pulling an eyetooth to some folks to pay tithes, and when they do, it is unholy to the Lord for in tithing chickens, or pigs, for instance, it will be an old hen with the limber neck, or a pig with a knot on him, thinking it might die anyway. God help folks to see Jesus. Do you see Him?

The 31st verse says, "And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof." Now that is the poorest business in the world—to ever redeem ought of your tithes, or ever start neglecting to pay them by using them with the intent of adding a fifth part to them. The custom is invariably that tithe paying is dropped and the Lord's blessings cease. Your intentions may be good; you likely intend to comply with God's Word in Num. 18:28, when adding a fifth part to make a heave offering. "Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the Lord of all your tithes." But brother, sister, you waited too long and your tithes have heaped up till all the heaving you can do won't move the heap. You are burdened down; you have heaved till you are humpbacked and your heart is heavy, shirking your duty to God. You have heaved on that load of tithes till you are bowlegged; you fret and mop your brow. Oh, it's awful! Finally you begin making vows, promising the Lord that if He will forgive you it will never happen again. Then you will do the same thing over again. God help! Now let's get right down to business for God and see the Church of God over the top for lost souls to the glory of Him whom we see yonder waiting for us.

"But we see Jesus." Do you see Him? God must have our aid in finance. He wants it lest some soul perish due to the hindrance of the Gospel. We must pay our tithes. It is a glorious blessing to do so. If it were not a command we ought to find it a blessing by the exacting a tenth to the Lord and His cause. The Levites did it and God blessed them. We find in Neh. 10:32, 37-39 these words, "Also we made ordinances for us to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of God. And that we should bring the first fruits of our dough and our offerings and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage. And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes; and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house. For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God."

There are souls going down in despair because people are not paying their tithes that the ministry might be kept on the field for God. Do you doubt this? The ministry every year is driven from the field of labor for God, having to forsake it to toil for food for their families. God's servants have always been neglected. I wonder if it will always be thus.

Please go with me to the 13th chapter of Nehemiah and read the 10th and 11th verses. "And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field. Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? I gathered them together, and set them in their place." Now I'm sure you have been shouting over the glorious fact that we see Jesus. I want you to keep on seeing Him; keep your eyes right on Him, but now let's look out in other fields and see what we can see. We see the servants of God who are worn out after a battle with the enemy all Summer, dragging a cotton sack in the Fall and on into the Winter that their families might be kept from the cold, and often they do suffer. God bless your hearts, let's do all we can to counteract this then we can go to God in peace. Jacob said we could. The 11th verse says, "Then I contended with the rulers and said, Why is the house of God forsaken?" Simply because the people failed God, failed to pay their tithes. "And I gathered them together and set them in their place." Now that is the intent of this article—to set you in your place. You may have a desire to do something big for God, well, this is it: Pay your tithes promptly and accurately and I dare say you will be doing something most folks aren't doing.

The 12th verse says, "Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the treasures." 2 Chr. 31:5 says, "And as soon as the commandment came abroad the children of Israel brought in abundance the first fruits of corn, wine and oil, and (even) honey." Have you any honey, brother? Say, give your preacher a jar and see the tears of gratitude flow down his cheeks. Oh glory! The 10th verse says, "And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for the Lord hath blessed his people," and glory to God, He will bless you if you will begin right now to do this thing.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the firstfruits of all thine increase." Prov. 3:9. That means money, chickens, eggs, pigs, produce and in fact all thine increase. "So shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy presses shall burst out with new

HAD THE DEVIL TO FIGHT

HARTWELL, Ga.—We closed a wonderful meeting at Townville, S. C. Sunday night, Aug. 18, with great victory. We surely had the devil to fight. He told us we couldn't have a revival at this place this time. I am glad we are serving a God who can bless over all opposition. It seemed there were more people interested in this meeting than any ever held here before.

We had a large attendance. It was estimated there were over one thousand people present at times during the meeting. It rained one night during the meeting but the people sat and listened attentively while we preached in the rain. They are now building a church house and will soon have a place for worship situated on the main highway.

During this meeting about twenty were saved, six sanctified and five filled with the Holy Ghost. We had great victory to the very last. The meeting closed with the altar filled with seekers. Brother L. H. Powell, the district overseer, was with us some during the meeting. He preached twice. Brothers J. C. Mauldin, J. W. Heaton and J. O. Mauldin were with us a few services.—Yours in the battle for Jesus, (Miss) Myrtle Whitehead.

Wine." 10 V. God says if you will do this thing He will bless you. Do you want a blessing from the Lord? This writer says that God will bless you. Now by the mouth of two or more witnesses shall every word be established, even promises. Malachi says that God will bless you. The 3rd chapter and 6th verse says, "For I am the Lord, I change not." He says, Even from the days of your fathers you have gone away from my ordinances and have not kept them," and the Lord tells them to return unto Him. Now they certainly were under condemnation and were aware of robbing God for it was a tithe in their exclamation: Wherein shall we return? Will a man rob God? And God told them on the come-back that they had robbed Him in tithes and offerings. He was lenient with them as He will be with you. He told them to return unto Him and bring their tithes into the storehouse (Church of God) and He would bless them.

Well, some say, if I thought tithe paying was carried over from the Old Bible into the New, I'd pay them, but I just believe they were nailed to the cross. And so they were, brother, nailed right up there where you can see them every day and if you are following Jesus by the way of the cross there is no excuse for you to shirk. You remember we saw Him on the cross. Remember our text, "But we see Jesus." Do you see Him now? Don't let the Pharisee do more than we. He said in Luke 18:12, "I fast twice a week and give tithes of all that I possess." Please notice that he fasted twice a week. Likely you need to do the same thing. It will humble you before the Lord and help you to keep His commandments. Some folks are like the Pharisee in one respect, which is dangerous. They count on going to heaven on their tithe paying alone. Listen what Christ tells them in the 11th chapter and 42nd verse: "But woe unto you, Pharisees, for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs and pass over judgment and the love of God; these ought you to have done and not leave the other undone." God wants us to do all of it. Let's do it.

Now the Pharisees asked Christ this question: "Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar?" He, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why tempt ye me? Bring me a penny (a penny now mind you), and they did. He said unto them, Whose image is this? and they answered Him, Caesar's, and so it was. Jesus told them to render to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and to God the things that are God's. But folks will shush out to Caesar and drop the rusty pennies to God's cause, and that reluctantly. Let's turn the tables on Caesar, and give God our very best.

One more Scripture I will use to close you in with, one you can't get away from if you dared, but I'm sure we are going to move up on this tithe paying, for we see Jesus. Turn to Heb. 7 beginning with the 6th verse and read. This Scripture is never used to prove tithing a certainty and if there wasn't another Scripture in the Bible, this one would be enough. "But he whose descent is not counted from them (speaking of the Levites) received tithes of Abraham and blessed him that had the promises and without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better." Now Paul says, "And here (right here now) men that die receive tithes." I want to ask you, Do they? Paul says they do. Is your preacher receiving yours? Now we are going to pay our tithes. Let's go! Do you see Him? Paul says, And here men that die receive tithes. Now that's plain enough, isn't it? I want to say along with Paul, however, that there are men here too that die because they don't receive them. I see ministers who are dead (spiritually) because tithes are their first consideration. God help us to get the cause of our Christ at heart, with a burning "go ye" and a true soul conviction unto death, if needs be.